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Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year).
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29/06/2006: Mike, RA1QIH, is currently active until July 13th from the Sheksinsky area (RDA VO-30), Vologodskaya oblast (VO). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

29/06/2006: Alex, RA3ZJ, is currently active until July 22nd as RA3ZJ/4 from the Pallosovsky area (RDA VG-37), Volgogradskaya oblast (VG). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

29/06/2006: Sergey, RA9MX, will be active June 29-30th as RA9MX/p from Tara City (OM-09 for the Russian Districts Award), Omskaya oblast (OM). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

29/06/2006: The Radio Club Venezolano will activate special call YW9AJ (QSL via YV5AJ, direct or bureau) on all bands and modes from Grid FJ67hm in the rare Apure state from June 29th to July 5th, including an entry in the Venezuela Independence Day Contest (July 1-2). On satellite they will operate as YV5SAT/9 (QSL via YV5SAT, direct or bureau). [Tnx 425 DX News]

30/06/2006: Klaus, DF2GN/p, plans to activate the following summits for the SOTA Award on June 30th: Ortenberg (SOTA DL/BW-053, 985m, 10 points, WW Loc. JN48JE) at 0700z; Rainen (SOTA DL/BW-042, 1006m, 10 points, WW Loc. JN48JE) at 0830z; Bol (SOTA DL/BW-045, 1002m, 10 points, WW Loc. JN48JE) at 1000z; and Wandb?hl (SOTA DL/BW-041, 1007m, 10 points, WW Loc. JN48JD) at 1130z. All summits are located in the Bathe Wuerttemberg region. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

30/06/2006: John, GW4BVE/p, will activate Glyder Fawr summit (SOTA GW/NW-003, 999m, 10 points, WW Loc. IO73XC), North Wales region, on June 30th at around 11:00 UTC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

30/06/2006: Kurt, HB9AFI/p, will activate Rocher du Midi summit (SOTA HB/VD-021, 2097m, 8 points, WW Loc. JN36NK), Vaud region, on June 30th at around 09:00 UTC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

30/06/2006: JR1WEB/1, JO1IRO/1, JF1IZM/1 will be active from Aoga Island (AS-043, JIIA AS-043-001), AS-043 JA1 South Izu group, HF and 6 metre SSB only between June 30th and July 3rd. QSL to their home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx JI6KVR]

30/06/2006: Team RK0AXC will be active June 30th to July 1st as RK0AXC/m from the following areas for the Russian Districts Award (RDA): Rybinsky (KK-54), Zaozernyj City (KK-13), Rybinsky (KK-54), Borodino City (KK-10), Rybinsky (KK-54), Kansky (KK-40), Kansk City (KK-15), Kansky (KK-40), Ilansky (KK-37), Abansky (KK-23), Boguchansky (KK-29), and RK0AXC/p from the line of Boguchansky/Kezhemsky (KK-29/KK-42), Krasnoyarsk Kraj oblast (KK). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

30/06/2006: Boris, RW9TP, will be active June 30th as RW9TP/p from Buguruslan City (OB-09 for the Russian Districts Award), Orenburgskaya oblast (OB). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

30/06/2006: Team RZ0IWZ will be active June 30th to July 8th as RZ0IWZ/p and RZ0IWZ/0 from the following areas for the Russian Districts Award (RDA): June 30 to July 2 from Ojmjakonsky (YA-26), Republic of Yakutia (YA); July 3-4 from Susumansky (MG-06); July 5-6 from Srednekansky (MG-05); and July 7-8 from Omsukchansky (MG-03), Magadanskaya oblast (MG). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

30/06/2006: Vlad, UA9CNI, will be active June 30th to July 2nd UA9CNI/p from the Shalinsky area (SV-72 for the Russian Districts Award), Sverdlovskaya oblast (SV). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

01/07/2006: Reinhard, DH6DAO, will be active as DH6DAO/p from Spiekeroog Island (EU-047, N-08 for the German Islands Award) between July and August 4th. Activity will include an entry in the IOTA Contest but SSB only. QSL via the Bureau. [Tnx OPDX]

01/07/2006: Look for Freddy, F8CKS/p, to activate the Mill Falot (DMF 24-022) on July 1st, located in Department de la Dordogne (DDFM 24), Province of Aquitaine (DPF 02). Activity will be on 80 and 40 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F8CKS]

01/07/2006: Subject to the North Atlantic weather, the Five Bells Groupplan to be on St. Kilda (EU-059, IOSA OL02, SCOTIA DI23, Grid Loc. IO57 Rare!), from July 1st to 8th. They will be QRV six metres and up and the operators will include Bob/G1JZP, Howard/G0VTL, Paul/G1GSN and Keith/G4ODA. Callsign will be GM4SIV. QSL direct to G4ODA or via buro to G4SIV. [Tnx SM7AED]

01/07/2006: Freddy, IZ1EPM reports he will operate again as II0P from Sardinia (EU-024, IIA SD-001, MIA MIS-035, WLOTA LH-1608, WW Loc. JN41OF) between July and September. His main focus will be on 6 metres, but he will operate on HF as well, mainly CW. He also plans to operate /mm from JN51AX in August. [Tnx 425 DX News]

01/07/2006: Rblob Radio Group members (Please see: www.rblob.com/hamradio/operatori.asp) will be active from Capodimonte Royal Park on July 1st (07:00 UTC to 16:00 UTC) and 2nd (07:00 UTC to 15:00 UTC). They plan to activate 4 new references for the Italian Castles Award (DCI) as follows: DCI-NA123 Porta Colletta di Capodimonte A Napoli; DCI-NA124 Casamento della Torre di Capodimonte a Napoli; DCI-NA125 Palazzo Reale di Capodimonte a Napoli; and DCI-NA126 Torre Palasciano di villa Capezzuto di Capodimonte a Napoli. Activity will be on 80, 40, 20 and 15 metre CW, SSB and RTTY. Other references - WAIS (EK46), IDCA (168), I.T.A. (F839) and WW Loc. JN70DV / JN70DU. There will be a special QSL card for all via the bureau, or via direct to: IW8DQY Paolo - P.O.Box 1054 - 80128 Napoli. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/07/2006: Look for ON4LBN/p to be QRV July 1st from the Castle/Farm of Courri?re (BCA reference NM-031 for the Belgium Castles Award). Activity will be on 40 metre SSB starting around 06:30 UTC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/07/2006: Team RK4YYY will be active July 1st as RK4YYY/m from the following areas for the Russian Districts Award (RDA): Cheboksarsky (CU-23), Tsivil'sky (CU-22), Kanashsky (CU-13), Kanash (CU-05), Komsomol'sky (CU-15), Batyrevsky (CU-10) and Cheboksarsky CU-23 and RK4YYY/p from Shemurshinsky (CU-24). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

01/07/2006: Toly, RW3PN, will be active July 1st as RW3PN/3 from the Stanovljansky area (RDA LP-19), Lipetskaya oblast (LP). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

01/07/2006: Alex/UA0WW and Leonid/UA0WBR will be active July 1-2nd UA0WW/p and UA0WBR/p from the Ordzhonikidzevsky area (RDA HA-08), Republic of Khakassia (HA). QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

01/07/2006: Sergey/UA1ANA and Slava/RK1AM will be active July 1-7th as UE1AAA and UE1ABC /p /1 /3 from some RDA (Russian District Award) areas from the following list: Shlissel'burg City (LO-19), Kirovsky (LO-28), Kirovskysk City (LO-09), Volkhovsky (LO-22), Volkhov City (LO-02), Podporozh'e City (LO-13) and Podporozhsky (LO-32), Leningradskaya oblast (LO); Vepsskaja National Volost (KL-09), Republic of Karelia (KL); Ustjuzhensky (VO-26), Vologodskaya oblast (VO); Sandovsky (TV-43), Molokovsky (TV-36), Krasnoholmsky (TV-31), Bezhetsk City (TV-05), Bezhetsky (TV-17), Sonkovsky (TV-45), Tverskaya oblast (TV); Myshkinsky (YR-18), Uglich City (YR-11), Uglichsky (YR-27), Tutaev City (YR-10), Tutaevsky (YR-26), Rostov City (YR-08), Yaroslavsky (YR-24), Pereslavl'-Zalessky (YR-07), Pereslavsky (YR-22), Yaroslavskaya oblast (YR); (MO-43), Sergievo-Posadsky (MO-85), (MO-07), Dmitrovsky (MO-60), (MO-20), Klinsky (MO-66), Moscowskaya oblast (MO); Zavolzhsky [Tver'] (TV-01), Torzhok City (TV-14), Torzhoksky (TV-48), Vyshny Volochek City (TV-07), Vyshinevolotsky (TV-21), Bologovsky (TV-19), Tverskaya oblast (TV); Valdajsky (NV-06), Krestetsky (NV-09), Chudovsky (NV-23), Novgorodskaya oblast (NV). QSL UE1AAA via UA1ANA, UE1ABC via RK1AM direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

01/07/2006: Special event station UE1RRR will be active July 1-10th from the Grjazovetsky area (RDA VO-14), Vologodskaya oblast (VO). QSL via UA1RJ, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

01/07/2006: Look for UR7GW/P and UR7GO/P plan to operate from a couple of lighthouses (Stanislav-Adzhigolsky Front and Rear) during the UHF Field Day (July 1-2nd). QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425 DX News]

01/07/2006: Pete, VE3IKV, will be QRV July 1-4th using the special call VF2X from Prince Edward Island (NA-029, PE-001 for the Canadian Islands Award). Activity will be on 40 metre CW and 6 metre SSB and CW. QSL via VE3IKV. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

01/07/2006: Graham, M0AEP, will be QRV July 1-14th as VP2MDD from the island of Montserrat (NA-103). Activity will be on 80-6 metres with 200 watts plus windom antenna, SSB and CW. His main focus will be on 6 metre SSB and CW with 350 watts plus a 5 element yagi. QSL via M0ARP (QRZ.com). [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

01/07/2006: Andy, G0JLX, reports that he will be operating from Ascension Island (AF-003) as ZD8AD between July 1st and 23rd (dates are approximate at this stage). Activity will be on all HF bands, SSB and CW. QSL via G0JLX, direct or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

03/07/2006: UBA section Liege (ON5VL) plans to activate the Fort of Fl?malle (LG-55 for the Belgian Castles Award) on July 2nd using the special call ON12FORTS. Activity will be on 40 metre SSB only from 08:00 to 12:00 UTC. QSL via ON5VL. [Tnx UBA HF News]

03/07/2006: Tommy, VK2IR, reports he will be active as YJ0IR from Vanuatu, New Hebrides (OC-035) between July 3-15th. He plans to operate on 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metre SSB depending on conditions. QSL via W3HNK. [Tnx 425 DX News]

04/07/2006: Klaus, DF2GN/p, will activate the following summits on July 4th for the Summits On The Air Award (SOTA) as follows: Rossb?hl (SOTA DL/BW-062, 963m, 10 points, WW Loc. JN48CL) at 0800z; Schliffkopf (SOTA DL/BW-030, 1055m, 10 points, WW Loc. JN48CM) at 1000z; Pf?lzerkopf (SOTA DL/BW-039, 1012m, 10 points, WW Loc. JN48DN) at 1200z; and Hornisgrinde (SOTA DL/BW-019, 1163m, 10 points, WW Loc. JN48CO) at 1500z, Bathe Wuerttemberg region. Activity will be on 7.032, 10.118 and 14.060 MHz CW. QSL via home call, direct or through the bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

04/07/2006: Frank, DL1FT, plans to be active July 4-14th as ES0FTZ from Saaremaa Island (EU-034, WLOTA LH-1401). Look for activity on 40, 20 and 10 metre SSB. QSL via DL1FT. Further information and exact times can be found at www.funkexpedition.de/estland/index.html [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

04/07/2006: Luc, FR5IZ, will be active as FR5IZ/E/p on Europa (AF-009, DIFO FR-003, WLOTA LH-0267) from July 4th to 6th. He will use an FT-897 (100 watts) and a doublet antenna. QSL via FR5IZ, direct (QRZ.com) or through the REF bureau. [Tnx FR5IZ]

04/07/2006: Pete, VE3IKV, will be QRV July 4-8th using the special call VC2X from the Iles de la Madeleine (NA-038). Activity will be on 40 metre CW and 6 metre SSB and CW. QSL via VE3IKV. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

05/07/2006: Klaus, DF2GN/p, will activate the following summits on July 4th for the Summits On The Air Award (SOTA) as follows: Hundsr?cken (SOTA DL/BW-028, 1080m, 10 points, WW Loc. JN48CO) at 0800z; Hoher Ochsenkopf (SOTA DL/BW-029, 1055m, 10 points, WW Loc. JN48DP) at 1000z; Badener H?he (SOTA DL/BW-047, 1002m, 10 points, WW Loc. JN48DQ) at 1130zz; and Schramberg (SOTA DL/BW-071, 922m, 10 points, WW Loc. JN48EP) at 1400z, Bathe Wuerttemberg region. Activity will be on 7.032, 10.118 and 14.060 MHz CW. QSL via home call, direct or through the bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

05/07/2006: Jarno/OH6NJ, Pertti/OH6PL and Markku/OH6UV plan to be active as OH6AW/5 from the island of Kaunissaari (EU-140) July 5-10th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via OH6AD QRZ.com). [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

05/07/2006: Xavier, ON4XA, reports he will be QRV July 5-15th as YO2/ON4XA from Romania (Arad and Timis districts). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425 DX News]

05/07/2006: The Radio Club Argentino will be operating as LR4D from Martin Garcia Island (SA-055) July 6-9th and will take part in the IARU HF World Championship as HQ station for Argentina. QSL via LU4AA. [Tnx 425 DX News]

06/07/2006: World traveler Bert, CX3AN, reports that he will be operating from Crete (EU-015, MIA MGC-005, WLOTA LH-1400) as SV9/CX3AN from July 6-20th. He will be running only 100 watts into a vertical antenna on 80-10 metre SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home call. Bert will be joining Theodooros, SV9/SV1EJD, and Fotis, SV9/SV1CIG, on the island. Bert states, "Operation was possible thanks to the kindly assistance of Theo who represents the warm welcome behaviour of the Greek people." [Tnx OPDX]

07/07/2006: Jim Millner, WB2REM, will be operating from Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA LH-0051) as 5B/WB2REM starting July 7th until July 13th. He will use SSB and CW on 40-6 metres. QSL via his home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx K1XN & The GOLIST]

07/07/2006: Dane, ST2T (S57CQ) will be active as 5H1DN from Zanzibar Island (AF-032, WLOTA LH-1080) July 7-14th, IARU HF World Championship included. QSL via S57DX. [Tnx 425 DX News]

07/07/2006: Mega/JA3EGZ, member of Himeji Armature Radio Club, and Yoko/JA3DFM, member of JARL Kobe Club, will be on the air from Kota Kinabaru, East Malaysia between July 7th and July 10th. Their call signs will be 9M6/JA3EGZ and 9M6/JA3DFM. They hope to operate 80m to 6m, SSB and CW, no digital modes. They will participate in IARU HF World Championship as 9M6/JA3EGZ on the All band, Mixed mode, Multi operator. Look fo them 3510, 7010, 14015, 21015, 28015, 28015 kHz CW and 7088, 14170/14250, 21270, 28515 kHz SSB. QSL is to be sent to home call via the bureau or direct with SASE to JA3EGZ, P.O. Box 6, Himeji, Japan. [Tnx F5NQL]

07/07/2006: Work permitting, Ric/GW3CWI (G3CWI), will activate Allt y Main summit (SOTA GW/NW-059, 356m, 1 point, WW Loc. IO82JR), North Wales region, on July 7th at around 15:00 UTC. QSL via G3CWI, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

07/07/2006: Nao/JK1FNL, Jim/7K4QOK and Takky/JE1KUC will be active July 7-10th from Saipan, Nothern Mariana Islands (OC-086). They will operate on 80-6 metres as NA8O/KH0 (JK1FNL), KG8RP/KH0 (7K4QOK) and N1KU/KH0 (JE1KUC), and will participate in the IARU HF World Championship. QSL via their JA home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425 DX News]

07/07/2006: Theodoros, SV1EJD, will be active July 7-20th as SV9/SV1EJD from Crete (EU-015, MIA MGC-005, WLOTA LH-1400). He plans to operate SSB and possibly RTTY on 80-10 metres. Further informtion will be posted at www.sv1ejd.gr/crete.htm [Tnx 425 DX News]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

08/07/2006: The RSGB HQ station GB5HQ will be active in the IARU Contest (July 8-9th). GB5HQ comprises ten stations located around the country, and the RSGB is keen that as many UK amateurs as possible try to work the station, in an effort to win the headquarters section of the contest for the UK. Further information can be found at web site www.gb5hq.com/. QSL direct to G3TXF (QRZ.com) or through the RSGB bureau to GB5HQ. [Tnx GB2RS]

08/07/2006: For the first time in many years the UBA will participate in the IARU contest (July 8-9th), in a well concerted HQ-effort. They have put together a competitive team to man 12 band-mode slots aiming to give you the 'UBA' multiplier on all 6 bands and both modes. They will be using the call OP0HQ, which is an all-time new prefix. So, prefix hunters, watch out for them! All QSO's will be confirmed with a QSL via the bureau. If you really need a direct QSL, you can send it to ON5ZO (UBA HF Manager). The address is OK at QRZ.com. [Tnx UBA HF News]

27/07/2006: Six operators will activate Santa Cruz Island (NA-144, USI CA-012S, Santa Barbara county), California, two days before and during the IOTA contest (July 27-30th). Operators are: N6VR, N6KZ, N6AWD, WB9AWX, KI6VC and WA6SC. They will use N6VR/P for the IOTA contest and home callsigns at other times. They have three stations, one WARC band and two for the other bands. During the contest will use a triband yagi for SSB and amplifier, and a vertical on CW. QSL for N6VR and N6AWD to N6AWD, others go directly to the operator. [Tnx N6VR]

28/07/2006: Peter, DK2PR (MDXC#343), reports he will operate as DU9/DK2PR (holliday style) from the Island of Mindanao (OC-130, WLOTA LH-2803) between July 28th and August 15th. Side trips to OC-235 islands are possible but depend on the local situation. QSL via home call. [Tnx IZ8CCW]

28/07/2006: Dom, M1KTA, plans to activate St. Agnes Island (EU-011) between July 28th and August 4th, using the call M1KTA/p. He also plans to enter the RSGB IOTA contest on all bands SSB and CW. There is the possibility that Dom might activate St. Mary's, Tresco or Bryher islands during the weekend. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

29/07/2006: New UE1NLO RRA Ladoga Lake expedition (ops. UA6BGB,RK3FA, RZ3FA, RN1NA, RN1NU, RA4HTX, RZ4HF, RA4HNB) will take place from June 29th to July 6th from: RR-19-15 (Teisyansari Island), RR-19-26 (Krestovye Islands), RR-19-29 (Tenkasarenselkya Bay Islands), RR-19-30 (Khidenselkya Bay Islands) and RR-19-31 (Varpasaret Islands), Republic of Karelia oblast (#88, KL for Rossija Award). More details at - http://www.quad.ru/ue1nlo [Tnx RZ3EM]

03/09/2006: Klaus, DJ4JI (DIG #197), will be QRV September 3-13th as OZ/DJ4JI from Bornholm Island (EU-030, BO-001 for the Danish Islands Award, WLOTA LH-2203). Activity will be on 80, 40 and 20 metres, SSB only with a Swan 350 (400 watts). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

04/11/2006: Bill/N7OU (E51NOU) and Bob/W7YAQ (E51YAQ) will be operating from Penrhyn Atoll [Tongareva] (OC-081), North Cook Islands between November 4th and 18th. Like their DXpedition to the South Pacific earlier this year, they will be operating mostly CW with some RTTY and SSB, on 80-10 metres, and using lightweight rigs, low power, and vertical antennas. QSL via home calls. [Tnx OPDX]

18/11/2006: Bill/N7OU (E51NOU) and Bob/W7YAQ (E51YAQ) will be operating from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands between November 18th and 28th, and be an entry in the CQ WW CW Contest. Like their DXpedition to the South Pacific earlier this year, they will be operating mostly CW with some RTTY and SSB, on 80-10 metres, and using lightweight rigs, low power, and vertical antennas. QSL via home calls. [Tnx OPDX]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

29/06/2006: The Sasolburg ARC (ZS4SRK) is currently operating with special event call sign ZS90DW to commemorate the Battle of Delville Wood in France in 1916. Activity will be on phone, CW and other digital modes on HF and VHF, until July 16th. There is a special QSL card available on receipt of your QSL card. [Tnx SARL]

01/07/2006: To celebrate their 60th Diamond Anniversary, the International Shortwave League (ISWL) will use the club calls G*4BJC /P and GS4BJC /P (main operator will be Andy, MM0CXA) along with M*1SWL /P and MX1SWL /P (main operator will be Herbie, G6XOU) for the entire month of July. QSL via ISWL QSL bureau (Alan Loveridge, G-11901, 29 Courtiers Drive, Bishops Cleeve, Cheltenham, Glos. GL52 8NU, England). [Tnx ISWL]

01/07/2006: The Marconi Radio Group (MN0MRG) will be running special event station GB0BVC on July 1st at the Ballymoney Vintage Club Rally. QSL via MI0VEV. [Tnx GB2RS]

01/07/2006: To celebrate their 60th Diamond Anniversary, the International Shortwave League (ISWL) will be QRV July 1st and 2nd as GB6SWL. The operator this week is Geof, M0BAU, located in Ellesmere Port, Cheshire. QSL via ISWL QSL bureau (Alan Loveridge, G-11901, 29 Courtiers Drive, Bishops Cleeve, Cheltenham, Glos. GL52 8NU, England). [Tnx ISWL]

01/07/2006: To celebrate their 60th Diamond Anniversary, the International Shortwave League (ISWL) will be QRV July 1st as GB60SWL. The main operator

will be John, G8XTJ, who will be located at the Dr Challoner's Grammar School, Amersham. QSL via ISWL QSL bureau (Alan Loveridge, G-11901, 29 Courtiers Drive, Bishops Cleeve, Cheltenham, Glos. GL52 8NU, England). [Tnx ISWL]

01/07/2006: The Glengormley Electronics and Amateur Radio Society (GEARS) will be operating a special event station to mark the 90th anniversary of the battle of the Somme. The station will be on air Saturday 1st of July using the callsign GB90SOM, and will be located close to the East Antrim War Memorial (better known as The Knockagh Monument). GEARS will try and run the station on club nights close to this date as well and there will be a special qsl card to for this event. The QSL manager for the club is GI4FUE. [Tnx Southgate ARC]

01/07/2006: Special event calls 7S6EM and 8S6EM will be aired by SK6AG and SK6AW from July 1st through August 13th to celebrate the 19th European Athletics Championships (www.goteborg2006.com) that will be held in Goteborg August 6-13th. QSL for all via SM6YOU, preferably via bureau. Further information, including on-line logs and details on the relevant award, can be found at http://sm6.se/em [Tnx 425 DX News]

05/07/2006: To celebrate their 60th Diamond Anniversary, the International Shortwave League (ISWL) will be QRV July 5th as GB6SWL. The main operator will be John, M0HEM, located in Dagenham, Essex. QSL via ISWL QSL bureau (Alan Loveridge, G-11901, 29 Courtiers Drive, Bishops Cleeve, Cheltenham, Glos. GL52 8NU, England). [Tnx ISWL]

14/07/2006: Special event station 8J7STAR will be aired July 14th to August 9th to celebrate the Sendai Tanabata (or Star) Festival, Legendary once-a-year rendezvous of two stars in the Milky Way. For the full story please check www.qrz.com/callsign/8J7STAR . QSL via the JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

15/07/2006: Special event station 8J3SEA will be aired between July 15th and September 15th to commemorate the 34th SEANET (South East of Asia Amateur Radio Network) Convention 2006 Osaka. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

17/07/2006: Jose/CT1EHX, Toze/CT1GFK, Goncalo/CT1GPQ, Miguel/CT1IUA, Rui/CT2IHP and Antonio/CT2IOU will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 80-6 metres as CS25M on July 17-23rd for the 25th International Motorcycle Rally in Faro. QSL via CT1EHX, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425 DX News]

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Montenegro is newest ARRL DXCC entity -

A new ARRL DXCC entity has come into being! As expected, the United Nations admitted the Republic of Montenegro as its 192nd member June 28, and that action automatically makes the tiny Balkan nation the 336th current DXCC entity.

"According to the ARRL DXCC List criteria, entities on the UN list of member-states qualify as political entities," said ARRL Membership Services Manager Wayne Mills, N7NG. "Therefore, effective June 28, 2006 (UTC), ARRL has added The Republic of Montenegro to the DXCC List. Claims for DXCC credit will be accepted immediately."

Current Montenegrin radio amateurs reportedly may continue using their YU/YT/YZ/4O/4N-prefix call signs until the International Telecommunication Union designates a new call sign block for the new country.

In anticipation of Montenegro's new nation status, the International DX Festival Montenegro, with information on the web at, http://www.yu6scg.cg.yu/international-dx-festival.html, has been set for July 20 until August 12. That's when several international operators will join forces with Montenegrin Amateur Radio operators from at least three different stations using a common call sign in an effort to meet the DX community's need to work the newest DXCC Entity. Festival organizers have set the ambitious goal of 200,000 contacts for the event, which will use all HF bands.

Montenegro declared its independence on June 3 following a national referendum May 21. [Tnx ARRL]

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MONTENEGRO ADDED TO CQ DX COUNTRIES LIST

The following is from CQ DX Awards Manager Billy Williams, N4UF:

Montenegro has been added to the CQ DX Countries List. Contacts made after June 3, 2006 (independence date) are valid. Updates of country totals, especially for those on the CQ DX Honor Roll, may be submitted now. See CQ DX COUNTRY AWARD TIPS on the CQ DX Awards home page at <http://www.home.earthlink.net/~bfwillia/page3.html> for details on submitting updates. Updates must be submitted by postal mail. No internet updates will be accepted.

The next CQ DX Honor Roll will be posted on the CQ DX Awards page (see above link) in early August and will appear in CQ a few months later. Deadline for submissions for this listing is July 31st.

In order to equalize postal delivery times, updates received through July 31st will receive equal consideration. See paragraphs 21 through 25 of the CQ DX COUNTRY AWARD TIPS.

CQ DX FIELD AWARD UPDATE

Montenegro will be a dual field country (JN & KN). Serbia also remains a dual field country (JN/KN). Information on the CQ DX Field Award is also available from the CQ DX Awards home page and on the CQ magazine website awards page.

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- The European PSK Club (or more commonly 'EPC') is inviting any licensed radio amateur or SWL to join their group. Its purpose is to promote activity and good operating practice on the PSK mode(s) on all amateur bands. Membership is free. Each new member is assigned a unique "EPC Number" which is retained for life, regardless of a change of callsign. A EPC number is never re-issued and it is listed in the membership records forever. All EPC members are eligible to participate in various club's activities and award programmes. Visit the EPC website at eu.srars.org/ [Tnx UBA DX News]

- Reminder: As of 1, July 2006 UTC the International Cook islands Radio Call sign prefix ZK (Zulu Kilo) will be replaced with E5 (Echo Five). Information from Victor Rivera ZK1CG / ZK1USA as of July 1 his calls will be E51CG and E51USA.

- Regulation changes for Spain & Holland: New amateur radio regulations came into force in Spain on 10 June. The main change is that the general, restricted and novice licences have been replaced with a single licence. All licensed Spanish amateurs now have the same privileges. Interestingly for British hams, licensed amateurs from CEPT countries can use the 50-51MHz bands, except in the centre of Spain. Dutch amateurs, meanwhile, have just been authorised use of the 7,100-7,200kHz band on a secondary basis with a

maximum power of 250W. [Tnx GB2RS]

- CDXC 2006 Convention: Laurent, F8BBL, states to mark your calendar for the 28th Clipperton DX Club DX Convention which will be held over the September 15-17th weekend. The event will be held in the very popular Arcachon area of France. Some of the presentations scheduled include K7C, 5H1C, A52CDX, FT5XO, 4S7PAG, MU?EXV/GU?VNK, 3Y?X and TO4Gxx just to name a few. For more details you can send an E-mail to convention@cdxc.org or check out the CDXC Web page (in French) at:
www.cdxc.org/Conventions/2006-Arcachon/arcachon2006-f.htm [Tnx NJDXA]

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave - VA3RJ

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Home of ICPO: http://www.qsl.net/va3rj/
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Contest Calendar, DX Calendar, Lighthouse Activations.
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